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# First Steps SPOE Data Quarterly Report

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### Number of Referrals and IFSP Eligibility Rates by Month

SPOE	May-21	Jun-21	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21	Nov-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	Total	Avg. per Month
Greater St. Louis (Reg. 1)														
Referrals by SPOE (last 12 months)	116	149	120	127	133	146	135	138	162	146	219	169	1,760	146.7
Referrals resulting in IFSP	49	55	45	55	71	58	64	63	75	69	104	61	769	64.1
% that went to IFSP	42.2%	36.9%	37.5%	43.3%	53.4%	39.7%	47.4%	45.7%	46.3%	47.3%	47.5%	36.1%	43.7%	
St. Louis County (Reg. 2)														
Referrals by SPOE (last 12 months)	191	199	231	203	227	223	219	188	224	214	280	231	2,630	219.2
Referrals resulting in IFSP	85	74	99	93	96	84	94	80	96	101	109	79	1,090	90.8
% that went to IFSP	44.5%	37.2%	42.9%	45.8%	42.3%	37.7%	42.9%	42.6%	42.9%	47.2%	38.9%	34.2%	41.4%	
Northeast (Reg. 3)														
Referrals by SPOE (last 12 months)	64	62	48	48	54	66	68	67	78	77	75	83	790	65.8
Referrals resulting in IFSP	31	23	19	20	27	22	28	31	39	36	21	23	320	26.7
% that went to IFSP	48.4%	37.1%	39.6%	41.7%	50.0%	33.3%	41.2%	46.3%	50.0%	46.8%	28.0%	27.7%	40.5%	
Northwest (Reg. 4)														
Referrals by SPOE (last 12 months)	108	111	103	103	116	100	141	88	89	134	126	142	1,361	113.4
Referrals resulting in IFSP	38	52	51	36	44	54	63	35	41	60	44	58	576	48.0
% that went to IFSP	35.2%	46.8%	49.5%	35.0%	37.9%	54.0%	44.7%	39.8%	46.1%	44.8%	34.9%	40.8%	42.3%	
Greater Kansas City (Reg. 5)														
Referrals by SPOE (last 12 months)	194	169	168	172	188	176	165	157	165	161	227	217	2,159	179.9
Referrals resulting in IFSP	102	78	77	80	76	69	66	71	79	59	96	94	947	78.9
% that went to IFSP	52.6%	46.2%	45.8%	46.5%	40.4%	39.2%	40.0%	45.2%	47.9%	36.6%	42.3%	43.3%	43.9%	
Central (Reg. 6)														
Referrals by SPOE (last 12 months)	124	114	91	133	124	121	118	108	123	120	153	117	1,446	120.5
Referrals resulting in IFSP	60	35	43	58	59	38	35	38	47	39	66	45	563	46.9
% that went to IFSP	48.4%	30.7%	47.3%	43.6%	47.6%	31.4%	29.7%	35.2%	38.2%	32.5%	43.1%	38.5%	38.9%	
Southwest (Reg. 7)														
Referrals by SPOE (last 12 months)	69	58	60	90	68	67	62	54	66	79	110	84	867	72.3
Referrals resulting in IFSP	30	23	24	39	30	32	32	28	25	33	37	39	372	31.0
% that went to IFSP	43.5%	39.7%	40.0%	43.3%	44.1%	47.8%	51.6%	51.9%	37.9%	41.8%	33.6%	46.4%	42.9%	
South Central (Reg. 8)														
Referrals by SPOE (last 12 months)	133	130	115	125	152	160	130	122	143	133	146	155	1,644	137.0
Referrals resulting in IFSP	58	43	41	47	64	59	42	44	58	47	59	58	620	51.7
% that went to IFSP	43.6%	33.1%	35.7%	37.6%	42.1%	36.9%	32.3%	36.1%	40.6%	35.3%	40.4%	37.4%	37.7%	
East Central (Reg. 9)														
Referrals by SPOE (last 12 months)	84	117	118	153	116	136	110	100	110	107	162	145	1,458	121.5
Referrals resulting in IFSP	34	52	54	62	48	67	50	41	46	53	68	63	638	53.2
% that went to IFSP	40.5%	44.4%	45.8%	40.5%	41.4%	49.3%	45.5%	41.0%	41.8%	49.5%	42.0%	43.4%	43.8%	
Southeast (Reg. 10)														
Referrals by SPOE (last 12 months)	106	90	111	85	78	88	110	64	80	90	134	123	1,159	96.6
Referrals resulting in IFSP	36	40	41	30	32	29	40	20	33	30	52	43	426	35.5
% that went to IFSP	34.0%	44.4%	36.9%	35.3%	41.0%	33.0%	36.4%	31.3%	41.3%	33.3%	38.8%	35.0%	36.8%	
Grand Total - Referrals by SPOE	1,189	1,199	1,165	1,239	1,256	1,283	1,258	1,086	1,240	1,261	1,632	1,466	15,274	1272.8
Grand Total - Referral resulting in IFSP	523	475	494	520	547	512	514	451	539	527	656	563	6,321	526.8
% that went to IFSP	44.0%	39.6%	42.4%	42.0%	43.6%	39.9%	40.9%	41.5%	43.5%	41.8%	40.2%	38.4%	41.4%	

Referrals exclude "Inquiry Only" referrals and include multiple referrals for the same child

IFSP counts are unduplicated

### Primary Referral Sources and IFSP Eligibility Rates Over Last 12 Months

SPOE	Medical Providers	Social Service Agencies	Early Childhood Programs	Parent
Greater St. Louis (Reg. 1)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	730	98	137	795
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	318	22	60	369
IFSP Rate	43.6%	22.4%	43.8%	46.4%
St. Louis County (Reg. 2)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	1,233	98	148	1,151
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	455	21	53	561
IFSP Rate	36.9%	21.4%	35.8%	48.7%
Northeast (Reg. 3)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	463	77	81	169
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	192	15	27	86
IFSP Rate	41.5%	19.5%	33.3%	50.9%
Northwest (Reg. 4)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	562	50	98	651
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	205	10	41	320
IFSP Rate	36.5%	20.0%	41.8%	49.2%
Greater Kansas City (Reg. 5)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	941	136	177	905
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	380	27	85	455
IFSP Rate	40.4%	19.9%	48.0%	50.3%
Central (Reg. 6)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	841	159	128	318
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	342	25	44	152
IFSP Rate	40.7%	15.7%	34.4%	47.8%
Southwest (Reg. 7)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	447	82	109	229
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	161	26	46	139
IFSP Rate	36.0%	31.7%	42.2%	60.7%
South Central (Reg. 8)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	789	242	167	446
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	313	38	70	199
IFSP Rate	39.7%	15.7%	41.9%	44.6%
East Central (Reg. 9)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	669	136	163	490
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	286	33	77	242
IFSP Rate	42.8%	24.3%	47.2%	49.4%
Southeast (Reg. 10)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	580	213	1,321	253
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	211	31	541	146
IFSP Rate	36.4%	14.6%	41.0%	57.7%
Grand Total - Primary Referrals (last 12 months)	7,255	1,291	1,321	5,407
Grand Total - Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	2,863	248	541	2,669
IFSP Rate for Each Referral Source	39.5%	19.2%	41.0%	49.4%
% by Source - Statewide	47.5%	8.5%	8.6%	35.4%

Referrals exclude "Inquiry Only" referrals and include multiple referrals for the same child

IFSP counts are unduplicated

Medical Providers include Hospital (other than NICU), Physician (inc. Psych.), Other health care provider, Public Health Facilities/Providers, and NICU.

Social Service Agencies include DMH, DHSS, CAPTA, Homeless Family Shelters, Domestic Violence Shelters/Agencies, and Social Service Agency (inc Foster Care).

Early Childhood Programs include Parents as Teachers, Head Start/Early Head Start, Other LEA program, Child Care Program/Provider, and MSD/MSB.

### Active Children with IFSPs by Primary Program Eligibility

		Dev. Delay - Half Age	Dev. Delay - ICO*	Medical Condition/Medical Condition - ICO*	Very Low Birth Weight	Total
Greater St. Louis (Reg.1)	Number	614	89	250	130	1,083
	Percent	56.7%	8.2%	24.5%	12.0%	100.0%
St. Louis County (Reg.2)	Number	885	169	323	177	1,554
	Percent	56.9%	10.9%	20.6%	11.4%	100.0%
Northeast (Reg.3)	Number	243	24	136	48	451
	Percent	53.9%	5.3%	31.9%	10.6%	100.0%
Northwest (Reg.4)	Number	512	12	133	44	701
	Percent	73.0%	1.7%	19.2%	6.3%	100.0%
Greater Kansas City (Reg.5)	Number	835	18	261	138	1,252
	Percent	66.7%	1.4%	22.0%	11.0%	100.0%
Central (Reg.6)	Number	460	44	205	65	774
	Percent	59.4%	5.7%	26.4%	8.4%	100.0%
Southwest (Reg.7)	Number	325	27	72	42	466
	Percent	69.7%	5.8%	18.0%	9.0%	100.0%
South Central (Reg.8)	Number	529	93	158	86	866
	Percent	61.1%	10.7%	19.0%	9.9%	100.0%
East Central (Reg.9)	Number	527	33	203	115	878
	Percent	60.0%	3.8%	24.1%	13.1%	100.0%
Southeast (Reg.10)	Number	403	20	124	61	608
	Percent	66.3%	3.3%	21.3%	10.0%	100.0%
Grand Total (Statewide)	Number	5,333	529	1,865	906	8,633
	Percent	61.8%	6.1%	22.3%	10.5%	100.0%

\* Informed Clinical Opinion (ICO)

### Active Children with IFSPs by Primary Setting\*

		Home	Community Setting	Total Natural Environment Setting	Other**	Total
Greater St. Louis (Reg.1)	Number	1,005	55	1,060	7	1,067
	Percent	94.2%	5.2%	99.3%	0.7%	100.0%
St. Louis County (Reg.2)	Number	1,473	50	1,523	12	1,535
	Percent	96.0%	3.3%	99.2%	0.8%	100.0%
Northeast (Reg.3)	Number	423	21	444	0	444
	Percent	95.3%	4.7%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Northwest (Reg.4)	Number	640	50	690	0	690
	Percent	92.8%	7.2%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Greater Kansas City (Reg.5)	Number	1,209	31	1,240	0	1,240
	Percent	97.5%	2.5%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Central (Reg.6)	Number	694	75	769	2	771
	Percent	90.0%	9.7%	99.7%	0.3%	100.0%
Southwest (Reg.7)	Number	415	50	465	0	465
	Percent	89.2%	10.8%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
South Central (Reg.8)	Number	774	78	852	0	852
	Percent	90.8%	9.2%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
East Central (Reg.9)	Number	842	31	873	2	875
	Percent	96.2%	3.5%	99.8%	0.2%	100.0%
Southeast (Reg.10)	Number	546	56	602	0	602
	Percent	90.7%	9.3%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Grand Total (Statewide)	Number	8,021	497	8,518	23	8,541
	Percent	93.9%	5.8%	99.7%	0.3%	100.0%

\*Does not include children with meetings in ongoing status.

\*\* Other includes Special Purpose Center, Hospital, Residential Facility, and Service Provider Location.

### Active Children with IFSPs Compared to SPOE Population by Race

	Greater St. Louis (Region 1)	St. Louis County (Region 2)	Northeast (Region 3)	Northwest (Region 4)	Greater Kansas City (Region 5)	Central (Region 6)	Southwest (Region 7)	South Central (Region 8)	East Central (Region 9)	Southeast (Region 10)	State Total
Total % of Pop	4.42%	4.54%	3.75%	3.36%	3.58%	4.02%	3.62%	3.68%	4.28%	3.99%	3.96%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander*											
% of Pop.	3.63%	3.11%	1.81%	3.27%	1.38%	3.11%	4.51%	1.94%	3.34%	1.60%	2.89%
Black or African American**											
% of Pop.	5.59%	6.09%	5.30%	5.95%	3.96%	5.64%	6.57%	5.07%	6.95%	5.76%	5.42%
White											
% of Pop.	4.01%	3.78%	3.85%	3.09%	3.59%	3.88%	3.50%	3.69%	4.51%	3.38%	3.73%
Native American or Alaska Native											
% of Pop.	0.64%	3.95%	0.00%	0.50%	0.42%	0.52%	0.86%	0.34%	1.23%	0.73%	0.80%

\*Census data (2020 US Census Estimates) combines race categories Asian & Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander.

\*\*Children with two or more races are included in the Black percent of population.

### Active Children with IFSPs Compared to SPOE Population by Ethnicity

	Greater St. Louis (Region 1)	St. Louis County (Region 2)	Northeast (Region 3)	Northwest (Region 4)	Greater Kansas City (Region 5)	Central (Region 6)	Southwest (Region 7)	South Central (Region 8)	East Central (Region 9)	Southeast (Region 10)	State Total
Hispanic/Latino											
% of Pop.	4.70%	4.62%	2.99%	3.52%	3.66%	5.14%	4.19%	3.74%	4.75%	2.98%	4.02%
NOT Hispanic/Latino											
% of Pop.	4.41%	4.53%	3.79%	3.35%	3.57%	3.95%	3.54%	3.68%	4.26%	4.05%	3.96%

### Inactivations by Reason-Children Who Had an IFSP, Last 12 Months

SPOE	Child Deceased	Completion of IFSP	Moved Out of State	Parent Withdrawn/Withdrawn due to FCP	Pt B Elig in Process	Pt B Inelig Exit to Other/Pt B Inelig Exit w/o Ref	Pt B Ref Refused Parent	Transition to Part B	Unable to Contact/Locate	Grand Total
Greater St. Louis (Region 1)	0.1%	2.7%	3.1%	14.4%	7.8%	10.3%	6.1%	46.5%	8.8%	100.0%
St. Louis County (Region 2)	0.3%	1.5%	4.7%	10.6%	4.2%	12.9%	6.6%	50.7%	8.5%	100.0%
Northeast (Region 3)	0.0%	0.3%	3.7%	14.2%	4.9%	11.4%	5.9%	54.9%	4.6%	100.0%
Northwest (Region 4)	0.2%	3.5%	4.4%	16.8%	1.8%	9.3%	5.3%	51.8%	6.8%	100.0%
Greater Kansas City (Region 5)	0.3%	1.7%	4.9%	14.5%	2.8%	11.1%	7.2%	49.0%	8.4%	100.0%
Central (Region 6)	0.7%	0.7%	3.2%	15.9%	1.8%	13.3%	8.5%	50.8%	5.1%	100.0%
Southwest (Region 7)	0.3%	10.1%	3.9%	19.2%	2.9%	7.8%	9.6%	41.6%	4.7%	100.0%
South Central (Region 8)	0.5%	4.0%	3.0%	17.2%	4.1%	7.8%	9.6%	44.7%	9.1%	100.0%
East Central (Region 9)	0.3%	2.2%	5.5%	15.5%	2.7%	12.6%	5.6%	48.8%	6.7%	100.0%
Southeast (Region 10)	0.5%	0.5%	3.1%	21.0%	5.0%	11.9%	9.1%	42.0%	6.9%	100.0%
Statewide %	0.3%	2.6%	4.1%	15.3%	3.9%	11.0%	7.2%	48.3%	7.4%	100.0%

Percentage = Inactivation Reason/Total for each SPOE

Inactivations by Reason-Children Who Had an IFSP can include multiple enrollment periods for one child.